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In response to the Official Action of May 5, 2004, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on August 5, 2004, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections set forth in the above-mentioned Official Action in view of the herein contained amendments and remarks.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this Response.



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☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

☐ A Request for Extension of Time.

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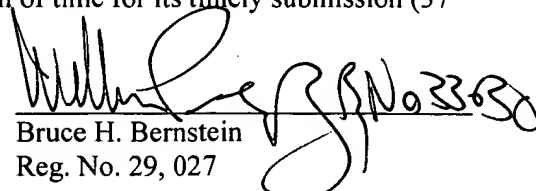
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